



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Examiner: J.A. Hines  
A.J. Polito, et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/634,331 ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
Filed: August 4, 2003 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
PERFORMING A LATERAL FLOW )  
ASSAY) ) Docket No.: 8079-008-US-3

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith on behalf of Applicants to the above-cited patent application  
are the following documents:

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Respectfully submitted,

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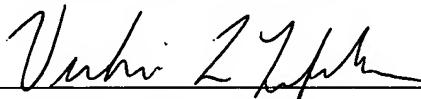
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